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SOVIETS WIN 6 BERLIN FORTS

Nuernberg Taken, Junction Near

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LONDON, April 20 (UP).—Loosing full offensive fury at Berlin, the Red Army has captured six more of its outlying fortresses. The Moscow radio said Soviet columns outflanking Berlin on the south had probably made patrol contact with U. S. troops advancing from the west but American field officers denied the 55-mile gap had been bridged.

Using the word "offensive" for the first time in connection with the Berlin front, a Soviet communique announced the capture of Wriezen, Seelow, Bad Freienwalde and Lebus, all between the Oder and the city in its southern and southeastern defense zone. The Red Army also captured Hoyerswerda and Spremberg in drives across the River Neisse. The towns of Niesky and Klitten, 11 and 20 miles northwest of the Neisse city of Goerlitz, also fell.

The Soviet communique announced that on the south flank of the Berlin drive Soviet units were approaching Kamenz only 19 miles from Dresden.

GAIN IN MORAVIA

The Soviet communique also announced that Soviet forces driving into the Moravian gap in Czechoslovakia had captured six more towns, cutting the last communications between the gap fortresses of Moravska-Ostrava and Opava. Further gains were also scored north of Vienna.

A German communique reported that the situation had "deteriorated" in the center of the front before Berlin where the Soviets were said to have captured the key road junction of Muencheberg, 16 miles east of the city, and poured masses of tanks through the breach in a head-on drive for the city gates.

According to the Germans, the Soviets had broken across the Spree River, on which Berlin stands, along a 45-mile front and pushed spearheads to Senftenberg, eight miles northwest of Hoyerswerda and 55 miles from the Americans at Wurzen; Calau, 15 miles west of Cottbus and 43 miles southeast of Berlin, and Vetschau, four miles northeast of Calau.

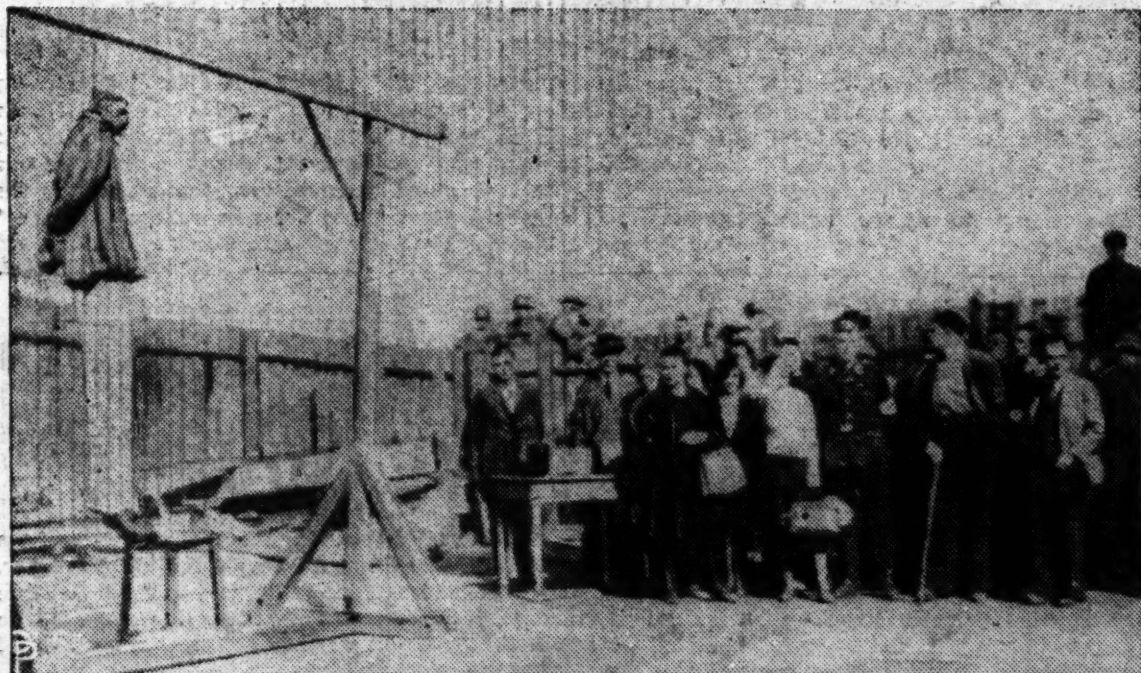
SAY COTTBUS BY-PASSED

These advances were said to have by-passed Cottbus, one of the main forts in the Berlin defense system which was virtually neutralized.

Packs of tanks penetrating within what German commentators called the "defense zone proper" of Berlin were placed at Buchholz and Tempelberg, 15 and 17 miles east of the city.

Soviet artillery is investing Berlin from three sides, Moscow dispatches said, and intensifying the bombardment of its inner defenses. Fires were reported raging through the main city and advance Soviet troops could see towers of flame.

"Masses of army groups" are swarming across both the Oder and the Neisse in the familiar great enveloping operation that has toppled so many cities in the triumphant Soviet sweep westward from Stalingrad, the Moscow reports said.



Education in Nazism: German civilians on a force tour of Camp Buchenwald, near Weimar, Germany, now in Allied hands, view the body of a captive hanged by the Nazis. The Allies are giving the Germans a first hand view of Nazi butchery.

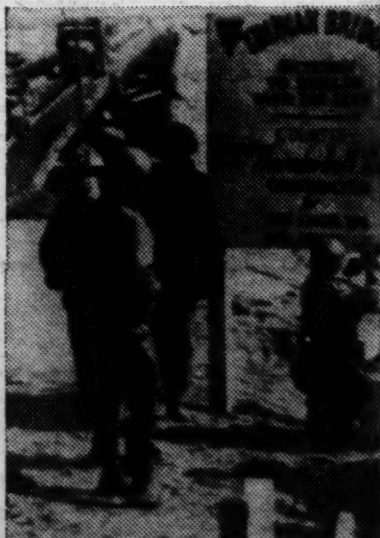
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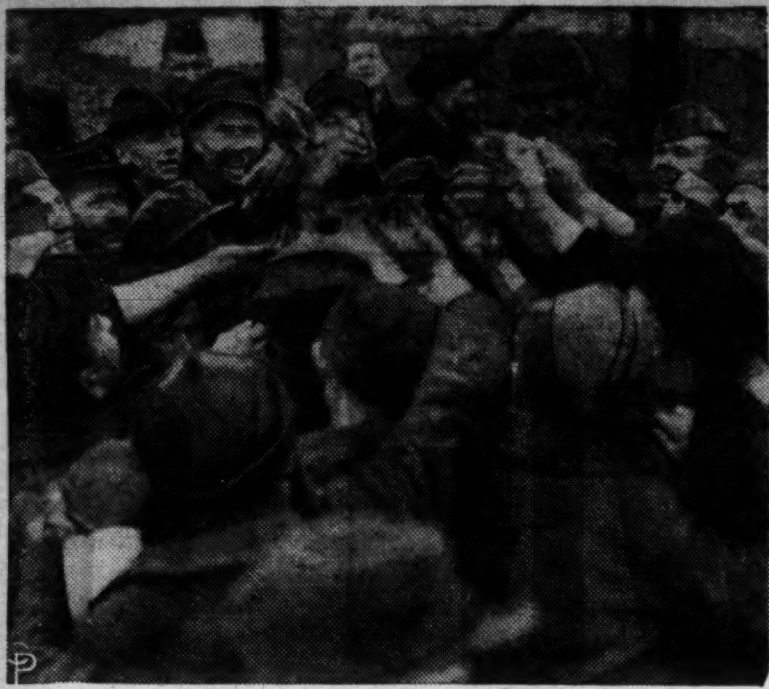
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"Truman Bridge, Gateway to Berlin over the Elbe, courtesy of 83rd Thunderbolt Division," says the sign being painted by U. S. Army Engineers at the entrance to the span just constructed over the Elbe River and named in honor of the new President.



Just Like Home: The welcome visitor—whom you can't see—is a Yank soldier passing out packs of cigarettes to Russian soldiers liberated by the U. S. Ninth Army when it captured a prison camp near Eselheide, Germany. Shades of New York!

Patch's 7th Takes Nuernberg on Hitler's Birthday

PARIS, April 20 (UP).—American troops today marked Adolf Hitler's 56th birthday by capturing the great Nazi shrine city of Nuernberg as Allied headquarters predicted a junction with the Red Army "in a few days."

Eisenhower declared that the victory of Allied arms in the Ruhr "is a fitting prelude to final battles to crush the ragged remnants of Hitler's armies of the west, now tottering on the threshold of defeat."

He said that in the Ruhr the entire German Army Group D and two corps of Army Group H were encircled, twenty-one German divisions were eliminated, and more than 317,000 prisoners taken including 24 generals and an admiral.

Nuernberg, the showplace of Nazism where on other anniversaries the goose-stepping German Fuehrer led dramatic torchlight parades, fell suddenly to Lt. Gen. Alexander M. Patch's troops after a four-day battle.

Allied headquarters' announcement of the imminent linkup between Soviet and Anglo-American forces was contained in a warning broadcast to Russian and Polish slave laborers between the two armies to remain where they were because the gap would be closed "in a few days."

TANK DRIVE

As Nuernberg toppled to Maj. Gen. Robert T. Frederick's 45th Division, other Seventh Army tank forces swept to within 28 miles of closing an American-French ring around Stuttgart, Germany's 13th

city with a population of 459,000.

The French First Army driving directly on Stuttgart from the west pushed to within 12 miles of the city on a 10-mile front while another secret French force lunged 20 miles in 4 hours to spear completely through the famed Black Forest southwest of Stuttgart toward the headwaters of the Danube.

Lt. Gen. William H. Simpson's Ninth Army forces in the Barby bridgehead drove off day and night attacks by German panzers trying to destroy their bridge across the Elbe while a great fleet of 600 Flying Fortresses smashed seven rail targets between Berlin and the Elbe.

Northwest of Berlin the British 2nd Army fought within a mile of Hamburg and battled into the outskirts of Bremen. Other columns threatened the great naval bases of Bremerhaven, Wilhelmshaven and Emden on the north sea in drives that gained up to 20 miles.

Lt. Gen. Courtney H. Hodges' American 1st Army completed the swift conquest of Leipzig, taking a total of 27,000 prisoners, while Lt. Gen. George S. Patton's Third Army gained up to 16 miles along a 35-mile front aimed at the great Skoda munitions city of Pilsen, in Czechoslovakia 60 miles east of Patton's spearheads. One 3rd Army patrol invaded Czechoslovakia at a new point some 10 miles southeast of Hof.

Polish Gov't Leaders Arrive in Moscow

TALKS DUE SOON WITH SOVIET LEADERS, FOREIGN DIPLOMATS

MOSCOW, April 20 (UP).—Leaders of the Polish Provisional Government and Col. Gen. Michal Rola-Zymierski, commander-in-chief of Polish armed forces, are expected to begin a series of talks with Soviet leaders and foreign diplomats soon.

The Polish group arrived here yesterday.

In the past few days, the Soviet Tass News Agency has reported from various cities in Poland that mass meetings have been held to demand a Soviet-Polish alliance, similar to those signed between the Soviet Union and Czechoslovakia and Yugoslavia.

Moscow broadcasts yesterday said the Polish people feel the Soviet-sponsored provisional government in Warsaw "represents and defends

their interests, and the failure to invite this government to San Francisco has caused great indignation in the country."

The broadcast was in English and directed to North America. It was recorded by the Federal Communications Commission.

"Everybody knows that the Soviet government continues to insist on its proposal that if the organization of the Polish government is not carried out or completed in the near future, then representatives of the Polish Provisional Government, as it stands, must be invited to the conference, as actually holding power throughout the whole of Polish territory and enjoying the support of the Polish people," said the Soviet radio commentator Mikhail Mikhailov.

6 More Yanks Murdered: Too Bad, Says Nazi Mayor

By ROBERT RICHARDS

WITH THE 90th DIVISION AT REHAU, Germany, April 20 (UP).—There were six plain brown envelopes with a dogtag in each, and they represented the murder of six American soldiers. When the 90th Division neared this town, German troops fled, pushing 369 American prisoners ahead of them. Six dropped out, and were shot. According to those who saw it, German soldiers shot the Americans one by one.

The bodies were left lying in the street for the burgomeister to bury. Near the center of this town of 5,000 lies the cemetery, and there today are six fresh graves.

"You see—we did what we could for them," said the burgomeister. He handed the envelopes to Lieut.

Col. Robert H. Schulz, Davenport, Ia. "You see," he repeated. "We are not responsible. We are decent people here in Rehaus."

It was almost as if he wished to add, "After all, we didn't even charge you for their burial."

How SS Burned 22 Prisoners Alive

By JOHN McDERMOTT

A CONCENTRATION CAMP NEAR LEIPZIG, April 20 (UP).—Twelve German SS troopers and a Gestapo agent lured 220 starving Allied political prisoners into a big wooden building at this camp two days ago, sprayed them with inflammable liquid and burned them to death.

I saw the blackened, rotting bodies of the victims today. A little Czech prisoner told me the story. He said that, altogether, 300

prisoners were enticed into the building on the promise of getting soup for a noon meal. Then the slaughter began. About 80 escaped.

Wednesday at noon, he said, the Germans cooked up a batch of soup. They called all the prisoners into one big barracks to eat it. Some of the prisoners, who had learned of the plans to execute them all, had hidden under buildings, but the smell of food forced them out.

As soon as all gathered in the building, the SS men moved in.

They splashed some highly inflammable liquid over the assembled prisoners, locked the doors, covered the windows and then tossed in incendiary grenades. In a few seconds the frame building was a roaring furnace, cooking human flesh.

Victims screamed in agony. Some dived headfirst into the filthy, stinking ditches which they had used as a latrine. I saw some of their scorched bodies still lying there this afternoon.

Force Nazi SS to Bury Victims

By RICHARD D. McMILLAN

BELSEN CAMP NEAR HANNOVER, Germany, April 20 (UP).—Nazi SS Elite Guardsmen were put to work today gathering the bodies of the hundreds of inmates who died in this hell hole.

Guarded by British troops with tommy guns ready and bayonets fixed, the once arrogant guardsmen dragged the bodies from huts and

hoisted into open trucks.

When I visited the camp today I had to stand in line with 150 others and like them be fumigated before I could pass down the lines of huts where British doctors estimate more than 300 persons—men, women and children—died last night.

One of the women among the Nazis who ruled the camp used to

reserve her torture of the inmates for Sunday afternoons, when she lashed her victims. Inmates said the women guards would tie a living body to a corpse and burn both together.

As we went through the camp, we found dead persons every few yards. It was hard to tell, sometimes, who was alive and who was dead. Some died as you looked.

Capture Nazi Sterilization Plans

By MALCOLM MUIR, JR.

WEISLOCH, Germany, April 20 (UP).—In the elaborate home of a Nazi doctor here, troops of the 103rd Division found complete plans for sterilizing Germans who failed to measure up to master race standards.

Among the papers were long lists of persons already sterilized, or slated for sterilization, because of health, sanity or racial reasons.

The discovery was made by Captain Spilman Gibbs, 425 56 St., West New York, N. J., and First Lieut. William Rittman, 1 Vermont Place,

Brooklyn.

They found the incriminating documents, including a medal from Hitler, commending the doctor for "work well done." The doctor was described as "chairman of the board for race culture movement" for southern Germany.

Fascist Lithuanians Use Relief Drive Here to Attack Soviets

Charges that the United Lithuanian Relief Fund, Inc. is withholding clothing from the peoples of the Soviet Lithuanian Republic and conducting anti-Soviet propaganda, were made yesterday by The Laisve Lithuanian daily here.

The accusation by the paper came after a release was issued indirectly

through the offices of the United National Clothing Collection, in which the pro-fascist Lithuanian Relief Fund organization included a subtle bit of anti-Soviet propaganda, which unfortunately went unnoticed by the National Clothing Collection office.

The United National Clothing Collection is doing magnificent work in the current nation-wide drive to send clothing to the needy peoples of liberated Europe.

Laisve revealed yesterday that: "The United Lithuanian Relief Fund isn't really interested in sending relief to the Lithuanian people. Of the 700,000 pounds of clothing they have collected in the past, only 75,000 pounds have been turned over to the Russian War Relief for distribution to the Lithuanian people. The rest is still stored away in a Brooklyn warehouse."

PRO-FASCISTS

The United Lithuanian Relief Fund, Inc. is headed by the same politicians who have organized anti-Soviet, anti-Lithuanian missions to Washington, Laisve declared.

"All progressive Lithuanians here considered the Lithuanian Soviet Republic a really free nation."

A spokesman for the United National Clothing Collection told the Daily Worker that the information

used in the release "came from United Lithuanian Relief Fund, Inc. We have no time to check on these things and naturally we had to take it at face value. No question of policy by us was involved."

The publicity release stated that Lithuania "has suffered three military occupations and has become a battleground for the great armies of Russia and Germany which have fought back and forth over that small nation."

Obviously, the pro-fascist Lithuanians here considered the original overthrow of the Smetona government by the Lithuanian people in 1940, and its recent liberation by the Red Army, as "military occupations" in the same sense that Germany occupied Lithuania.

Monday, April 23, has been designated by the United National Clothing Collection offices as "Lithuanian Day." The reactionary Lithuanian "relief" outfit is a participating agency of the clothing collection drive.

Ask FDR Birthday

Be National Holiday

COLUMBUS, April 20.—The executive board of the Ohio CIO Council has requested Congress to declare President Roosevelt's birthday, Jan. 30, a national holiday.

Seek to Sap Power of FEPC Bill

By Federated Press

WASHINGTON, April 20.—Unless the people act quickly, the proposal for a Permanent Fair Employment Practices Commission with enforcement powers is going to be hacked to death by a coalition of southern Democrats and tory Republicans.

That became evident today after the second day's hearing on the FEPC bill, HR 2232, before the House Rules Committee. Appearing in behalf of the bill were Rep. Jennings Randolph (D-W Va.), and Rep. Clyde Doyle (D-Cal.), both of whom agreed with the FEPC's enemies that the measure should be amended to meet objections by Rep. Charles A. Halleck (R-Ind.), and Rep. Howard W. Smith (D-Va.).

Randolph was chairman of the labor subcommittee that wrote the measure, yet neither he nor Doyle was able to defend the bill. Both weakly admitted it should be changed to provide for court review of the Permanent FEPC's findings, and to permit the review court to judge whether the findings are based on preponderance of evidence.

Chairman Adolph J. Sabath (D-Ill.), of the Rules Committee, also spoke in favor of "adopting some of Halleck's suggestions."

This will indicate what went on: Halleck objected to the bill's providing that the new FEPC shall take over the present, experienced FEPC staff. Randolph agreed that the new FEPC "should pick its own staff."

Rep. Clarence Brown (R-O), suggested that Randolph back Halleck's changes because "then they would be committee amendments."

ARGUES ON "CREED"

Rep. Smith thought inclusion of the word "creed" in the bill might force employers to take conscientious objectors, or that a Christian church member "might be required to employ an atheist." Randolph said, "Well, I wouldn't hire a Communist, but as to an atheist, I don't think that would make him a less able craftsman."

This brought Rep. Earl C. Michener (R-Mich.), to say that the Mennonite religious sect might be "required to hire Communists or atheists." When Randolph objected that the Mennonites were a small sect and kept to themselves, Michener said he was interested in "possibilities, not probabilities," and insisted on an answer.

Randolph then said the bill would require the Mennonites to hire persons regardless of creed.

Smith then turned to Randolph and suggested that "your committee re-study this bill. A great number on this (Rules) committee have no idea of granting a rule on this bill in its present form." Smith insisted on including the rules of evidence in FEPC hearings, and Randolph said, "I will call the subcommittee together. . . . We will discuss the amendments."

EVIDENCE CLAUSE

Halleck insisted on his amendments requiring a preponderance of evidence as in a civil suit at law, and Rep. Doyle agreed.

Under the FEPC bill, as written, it says, "The findings (of the FEPC) as to acts, if supported by evidence, shall be conclusive." Under well-settled legal construction by the U. S. Supreme Court, the findings will not receive court approval unless supported by substantial evidence.

This has been enough evidence for judicial review of administrative agencies since 1913. But the House Tories want to add "preponderance of evidence" so an employer could, by weight of numbers of witnesses, overbalance the testimony of a group of workers being discriminated against.

Permitting the Tories to win these concessions on FEPC would open the gates for similar changes in the NLRB and other agencies.

45 in GOP Ask Nonpartisan Reelection of LaGuardia

By HARRY RAYMOND

Forty-five influential Republicans called on national, state and local GOP leaders yesterday to cast aside "narrow partisanship" and "political orthodoxy" and unite in a non-partisan effort with other minority parties for the reelection of Mayor LaGuardia.

The appeal to the Republican leaders, made public by Judge Samuel Seabury, Democrat, said the group would ask LaGuardia, Council President Newbold Morris and Comptroller Joseph D. McGoldrick to run in the Republican primaries for renomination and reelection.

Asked if the Mayor had agreed to enter the race for a fourth term, Judge Seabury said: "We held no ceremony. But I think we know what his position is."

Stating the decision lies largely in Republican hands, the appeal suggests the LaGuardia-Morris-McGoldrick ticket should be nominated as well by other minority parties.

"We believe," the statement declared, "that it would be impossible to elect three enrolled organization Republicans to these offices."

Newbold Morris is the only organization Republican on the proposed slate. LaGuardia is a registered member of the American Labor Party. McGoldrick is a Democrat.

FUSION RECORD

"The record of the Fusion administration has by and large been an excellent one," says the appeal to the GOP leadership. "This is indisputable. Every citizen sees the multiplying evidences about him. This record has kept Fusion in office for 12 years, ever since the collapse of Tammany under Mayor Walker."

"Fusion has been honest and effective, but the most vital part of its program remains to be carried out in the crucial postwar years. The huge postwar program which the Fusion administration has prepared and the many problems of revival of business and industry cannot be turned over to Tammany without dire consequences to the city and state. There is no such thing as an independent Tammany Mayor and Tammany administration."

The statement points out that "these are not ordinary times," that "commonly accepted political considerations must yield to the general welfare" and adds:

"This is no time for narrow partisanship. It is no time for personalities. It is no occasion to support merely because of their political orthodoxy candidates who cannot win. The Republican Party must stand for local good government here in New York, and must divorce this question from national party issues if it is to continue to merit public respect and confidence."

The appeal to GOP leaders was addressed to Gov. Dewey, Lt. Gov. Joe R. Hanley, State Comptroller Frank C. Moore, State Attorney General Nathaniel Goldstein, Republican National Chairman Herbert Brownell Jr., Republican National Committeeman J. Russell Sprague and the five GOP county leaders in New York City.

Three of the five county leaders—Thomas J. Curran, New York County; Warren B. Ashmead, Queens, and Edward A. Ruppel, Richmond—have declared themselves opposed to the LaGuardia nomination. John R. Crews of Brooklyn and John Knewitz of the Bronx have declined to comment.

But Judge Seabury said, he believed the non-partisan appeal would meet with approval of the majority of Republicans throughout the city.

It is believed the American Labor Party will approve of the LaGuardia-Morris-McGoldrick ticket if the three officials desire to enter the race. Liberal Party leaders have been quite vocal recently denouncing the Mayor and have threatened to back an independent ticket. But it is hardly possible they could swing the majority of the rank and file of the new party to an anti-LaGuardia ticket if the Mayor entered the campaign.

Asked what Gov. Dewey's views were on the municipal election, Judge Seabury said he did not know.

Signers of the appeal were Lewis H. Pounds, former Brooklyn Borough President; Philip Benson, President of the Dime Savings Bank; former Supreme Court Justice Lewis L. Fawcett; Frank S. Hackett, headmaster, Riverdale Country School; Rev. A. Karl Philippi, pastor, Cadman Memorial Church; Roy M. D. Richardson, president, Brooklyn Heights Association; Henry Craft, director, Harlem YMCA; Morris Hadley, president, N. Y. Public Library; Mrs. Oswald B. Lord, chairman, Women's Division, National War Fund; Mrs. Ruth L. Roberts, chairman, Harlem Tuberculosis and Health Committee.

Also Rev. John Warnshuis, Brooklyn Heights Reform Church; H. G. W. Parmele, secretary, Staten Island Community War Chest; Edward C. Delafield, treasurer, Memorial Hospital; Congressman Joseph C. Baldwin; former Undersecretary of State Arthur A. Ballantine; Harry W. Chase, chancellor, N. Y. University; Gano Dunn, president, Cooper Union; Mrs. William H. Hays, former president, Women's National Republican Club; Charles Evans Hughes, Jr., former U. S. Solicitor General; Frederick J. H. Kracke, chairman, N. Y. Board of Assessors; Sam A. Lewisohn, trustee, N. Y. Foundation.

Also Walter Mack, president, Pepsi-Cola Co.; Bishop William T. Manning; James Marshall, president, Board of Education; Park Commissioner Robert Moses; City Treasurer Almerindo Portofolio, former Brooklyn Register William A. Prendergast; William J. Schiefelin, former chairman, Citizens Union; Rev. Ralph W. Sockman, Christ Church; Francis R. Stoddard, former governor general, Mayflower Descendants; Henry C. Turner, former president, Board of Education; Charles H. Tuttle; Gordon N. Bell; Mrs. Oscar W. Swift; Bruce Bromley; Michael A. Campagna; William M. Chadbourne; John K. Clark; Councilman Genevieve B. Earle; Louis C. Gosdorfer; Mrs. Sarah Straus Hess; Davis M. Heyman; Mrs. Jenkin R. Rockert; Mrs. William W. Hoppin, and Mrs. Keyes Winter.



Inspecting the modern operating room aboard the U. S. S. Tranquility are Senior Medical Officer Capt. B. W. Hogan, Boston, Mass., and Chief Nurse Lt. Sylvia Killer, Buffalo, N. Y. The vessel, one of six new hospital ships about to be added to a fleet of nine similar ships few days. It displaces 15,000 tons, and makes 17½ knots per hour.

Clayton Explains Export Economics

By ART SHIELDS

WASHINGTON, April 20.—Will C. Clayton, Assistant Secretary in charge of Economic Affairs for the State Department, said today that America will need to export 15 to 20 billion dollars more than it imports during the five-year period after the war.

Financing these exports will be a sound investment both in dollar dividends and in millions of new jobs, declared the business diplomat in testimony before the House Ways and Means Committee.

But it will be a sound investment only if we permit war-devastated countries and lands still economically backward to earn the wealth to pay us back in goods and in services later, Clayton went on.

And this, he continued, makes it necessary for Congress to pass the Trade Agreements Act, lowering tariff barriers up to 50 percent at the government's discretion. And it will be necessary also to help develop these countries, to help build up their industries.

Clayton said his figures were arrived at after careful study. The 15 to 20 billion dollars of credits required to finance the export surplus can be provided through the International Bank to be set up under the Bretton Woods plan; through the Export-Import Bank and by other government agencies as well as private corporations.

He said he believed American pri-

ate business would play a big role in financing trade.

Republican oppositionists on the committee, vehemently objected to the State Department's trade perspective.

Rep. Thomas A. Jenkins of Ohio, for instance, protested it was just "altruism."

"I'm not an altruist," replied Clayton with a smile. "I'm a business man."

And as a business man he assured the committee that the more prosperous our customers become the more they will buy.

When Jenkins said that by lowering tariffs to let in foreign goods the United States would be trading jobs for goods, Clayton replied: "No, we'll be trading goods for jobs." Because, he continued, our own exports will stagnate if we shut out foreign goods.

Democrats on the committee seem pretty solid for the bill, but Rep. A. Sidney Camp (D-Ga.) told Clayton that textile manufacturers in his district feared the Japanese would take advantage of lower textile tariffs to flood the American market.

"The Japanese," answered Clayton, "will be out of the market a long time."

OPA Plans Change in Meat Subsidy Payments to Increase Supplies

WASHINGTON, April 20.—The OPA has completed plans for a revised subsidy program aimed at getting more beef to market without raising prices, it was revealed today.

The War Food Administration is working on a plan to pay a subsidy directly to cattle feeders, it was disclosed.

The current method is to pay subsidies to packers instead of to

the cattle feeders. The method was strongly criticized by both farm and consumer groups when originally adopted with the introduction of price control on meats. It was forced on OPA by the farm lobby, which successfully resisted the institution of price ceilings for meat on the hoof until just a few weeks ago.

Constantly mounting prices for cattle caused a squeeze in prices for the packer, according to testimony by witnesses before the con-

gressional investigating committees. While large packers were able not only to absorb the increase but to jack up profits through the manufacture of uncontrolled by-products, this was not possible for small packers.

The OPA plan for larger subsidies, to be paid direct to the feeder, will lower the price of meat on the hoof paid by the packer. It will relieve the pressure on the legitimate small packer.

Army Probes Arrest Of 100 Negro Air Force Officers

WASHINGTON, April 20 (UP).—The War Department is investigating a controversy at Freeman Field, near Seymour, Ind., involving the arrest of 100 Negro Air Force officers who resented being barred from the officers club.

According to dispatches from Seymour, Col. Robert R. Selway, Jr., post commander, ordered the club reserved for instructors, virtually all of whom are white, and then asked the post's 400 Negro officers to sign the order and agree to comply.

About 100 refused on grounds it violated an Army regulation which states that any club on a post must be open to all officers stationed there.

Thereafter, about 100 Negro officers were arrested and sent to Godman field, near Fort Knox, Ky., where they were confined to quarters.

The Negroes are attached to the 477th Bombardment Group, which

comprises four B-25 medium bomber squadrons.

Rep. A. Clayton Powell said yesterday that he had brought the situation at Seymour to the attention of the War Department on March 5. Reps. Emanuel Celler and Vito Marcantonio have joined in requesting an investigation.

3 Billion Smokes For Our Allies

Armed forces of America's Allies will get 3,000,000,000 Lend-Lease cigarettes in 1945, Joseph Kolodny, executive secretary of the National Association of Tobacco Distributors, said yesterday.

Kolodny said he based his prediction on "the assumption that Lend-Lease purchases will continue at the same rate during 1945 as in 1944, and not jump higher." Each adult smoker in the United States will lose 23-5 packs during the year as a result of Lend-Lease, he said.

Kolodny's Lend-Lease estimate did not include the 95,000,000,000 cigarettes shipped to 11,000 American Post Exchanges here and overseas. Lend-Lease and shipments to our armed forces require almost 30 percent of the country's 300,000,000,000 yearly cigaret output, Kolodny said.

Vermont Legislature Backs Frisco Parley

Special to the Daily Worker

BOSTON, April 20. — The Vermont State Legislature and Quincy City Council have endorsed the April 25 world security conference.

The council of the Republican-controlled city of Quincy passed a resolution which declared that they "endorse the San Francisco Conference and the Bretton Woods and Dumbarton Oaks proposals which should have the backing of all peace-loving people."

News Capsules

Ernie Pyle's Last Award

Sigma Delta Chi, national professional journalistic fraternity, yesterday announced award of the Raymond Clapper Memorial Award to the late ERNIE PYLE. It was the second consecutive year the prize was given the famed war correspondent. He was chosen April 2, 16 days before he was killed.

PRESIDENT TRUMAN announced yesterday that Charles G. Ross, 59-year-old Washington correspondent for the St. Louis Post-Dispatch, will become his press secretary May 15. When Mr. Truman first took office it was announced J. Leonard Reinsch, managing director of three radio stations owned by James M. Cox, would act as secretary in charge of press and radio affairs. The President explained that Cox had telegraphed him, making a special appeal that Reinsch be allowed to return to his post with the Cox stations. Reinsch, according to the President, will be on call for specific radio duties for Mr. Truman, just as James B. Byrnes will be on call as an advisor.

Clothing collection depots in police stations and fire houses, totaling 259, will be open 24 hours a day for war workers who cannot reach the regular depots between 9 a.m. and 9 p.m., it was announced yesterday by GROVER WHALEN, local drive chairman. Mr. Whalen said public school depots have at least 1,000,000 pounds of clothing ready. Thousands of American communities will observe "Holland Day" today (Saturday), Henry J. Kaiser, national chairman of the drive, said last night. Kaiser made public a cable from UNRRA which stated that in Holland 80

percent of the children now have no underclothes and thousands of people have no shoes.

DEAN VIRGINIA C. GILDER-SLEEVE of Barnard College, the only woman in the U. S. delegation to the San Francisco Security Conference, urged yesterday that American women wake up to the fact they have a "great say" in future world peace. Writing in the May Women's Home Companion, Miss Gildersleeve said that while it has long been accepted that men must fight and women must weep, war now has come into the home and "women are no longer helpless—they can now do something about it."

FREDERICK C. VINCENT, 60, whose body was discovered in a New York rooming house eight days after he disappeared from the fashionable St. Regis Hotel, was identified yesterday as curator of a Kansas City, Mo., museum. Police believed the curator's death resulted from natural causes. . . . Lawrence, Kan., officials yesterday blamed a series of schoolboy disappointments and a traffic ticket for the death of 15-year-old OTTO ELLIS, JR., and the subsequent suicide of his mother, Mrs. Edna Elles, 46. Friends said the youth failed to make the high school team last fall. Then he failed in a Latin course and finally was barred by his grades from acting with other students as an honorary city official for a day. Wednesday young Ellis was arrested for speeding. Several hours later his body, with a note beside it, was found in the garage of his home. Coroner C. B. Rumsey said he died of carbon monoxide poisoning. Yesterday the mother shot herself. The husband and father, Col. Otto Ellis, is in Europe.

An Editorial

Gestures Will Not Do in Baseball

The 1945 baseball season is on. There will be many stars missing this year but the game will continue because the people want it that way.

Still there is not a single Negro ballplayer in either a major or minor league uniform. It is a national disgrace that this vicious Jimcrow practice can go on, year after year, in a pursuit that is known as America's national pastime. There is nothing American about that practice. It violates every sense of democracy, decency and fair-play that has come to be associated with Americans.

In virtually every other sport, the Negro athlete participates on a par with others. And who can say he has not made a major contribution?

This barring of Negroes from professional baseball has aroused indignation and movements of protest for years. As the American people are rooting out this poisonous Jimcrow practice in all other

activities, however, it is becoming tougher for the baseball magnates to continue it. They now have a law to contend with, the New York State FEPC measure. Since all major clubs must play in New York, they are all affected by it.

Accordingly they are compelled to make some face-saving gestures, and so they go through the motion of "try-outs." We of the labor movement are familiar with such gestures. We have seen them used elsewhere. They are not enough. No one can tell us or the rest of the American public that there are not plenty of crack Negro athletes capable of playing both in the major and minor leagues.

We, and all decent Americans, want not gestures but action in the form of actual hiring and using of Negro ballplayers. We are confident that the people will let the magnates know this through an avalanche of mail, delegations, and all other forms of public pressure.

Rose Russell Wins Friends For Teachers in Albany

By LOLA PAINE

Less than two years ago, Rose Russell was a school teacher in the city school system. Today she is an outstanding trade union leader, a respected fighter for progressive education.

When Dr. Bella Dodd resigned as legislative director of the Teachers Union last May, one question was uppermost in the minds of her fellow unionists. Who can replace "our Bella?" That question is answered today. Bella Dodd is on the union's executive board and Rose Russell, now legislative representative, has earned the greatest confidence, not only of CIO teachers, but of parents, educators, legislators and child care authorities.

Perhaps the words that best describe this young and attractive woman are the words "earnest" and "pointed." Ask her about the union's long battle for smaller classes, decent salaries and more appointments—a battle hitting some new highs and victories this year—and she'll tell you an exciting story with the utmost calm. Or listen to her at Albany hearings when the Legislature is considering important teachers' measures, and you'll hear her speak quietly, clearly, cutting silently like a knife through the maze of education bills. Her voice has been quick to expose Governor Dewey's pennypinching. It has been equally quick in calling for unity of all groups concerned with youth's welfare.

WENT TO FRANCE

Born in New York City, Rose Russell attended the University of Michigan and then went to France with her husband, Harris, where they wrote feature stories for American newspapers published in Paris.

Their son, Frank, now a private in the Army, was born there.

The Russells stayed in Paris for several years, doing newspaper work together, coming back to the States where Mrs. Russell taught school, and then returning to Paris. They were there when Hitler came to power in Germany, and they became aware of fascism at its inception. Coming back to the States again, Mrs. Russell taught at the Thomas Jefferson High School in Brooklyn, where she remained until



MRS. ROSE RUSSELL

1943. Her husband worked in the newspaper field here until shortly after Pearl Harbor, when he went into a war plant making shells. Today he's a member of the CIO steelworkers' union.

"He gets home at midnight," Mrs. Russell said. "Like many other busy Americans, we see each other in snatches — and I mean snatches, because this goes on seven days a week."

Mrs. Russell left the city school system in the fall of 1943 to become executive secretary of the New York State Women Workers Conference. By that time she was active in the Teachers Union, being its secretary. In May of 1944 she succeeded Bella Dodd, now New York State Legislative Director of the Communist Political Association. Of Bella Dodd, she says:

"Bella? Everybody who knows her loves her. Not only as an experienced leader, but as a friend." And then she adds, "The leadership that Bella Dodd gave, not only to the union but to teachers, parents and labor is recognized by everybody. Her wisdom and her warm personality have really endeared her."

Now that the legislative session is

over, Rose Russell is busy getting ready for the union's ninth annual education conference which will be held today at the Hotel Commodore. This conference will be one of the outstanding events of the year in educational circles, with 2,000 classroom teachers, as well as labor, education, business, government and parent organizations delegates participating.

The theme of the conference will be—Education for One World—for Jobs, Security, Peace. In just so many words, that's the essence of Rose Russell's work in the Teachers Union.

Housewives for Quill Bill Action

Flatbush housewives, members of the Consumers Division of the American Women's Volunteer Service, have told City Council Majority Leader Joseph T. Tharkey they want action on Councilman Michael J. Quill's bill to provide more stringent penalties for OPA price violators and black marketeers.

A resolution adopted at a meeting of the Flatbush AWVS, 5022 Church St., asking that the Quill Bill, which has been buried in Welfare Committee of the City Council for nearly a year, be brought out on the floor of the Council for action.

A Bronx rally in support of the bill has been called by Councilman Quill and the Bronx Consumer Councils Monday night at Taft High School, 170 St. and Sheridan Ave.

The bill provides fines of \$500 and 90 days imprisonment for OPA price violators. Under present law the highest fine that can be imposed on a blackmarketeer is \$25.

Mrs. Helen Levin, chairman of the Flatbush consumers division of AWVS, said the group had activated housewives throughout the neighborhood in support of the Quill bill. On Tuesdays and Thursdays they engage in organized shopping to compel dealers to sell at ceiling prices.

Many butchers in the Flatbush area, the AWVS women report, have joined with the consumers to combat the black market.

CIO Wins Contract For 400 Engineers

A CIO contract has been signed with the Lloyd Rogers Co., engineering designers, the Federation of Architects, Engineers, Chemists and Technicians announced yesterday.

The pact, which covers approximately 400 engineers and draftsmen, provides seniority, grievance machinery, sick leave, two weeks' vacation after a year's service, a week's vacation for six months' service, overtime pay for work over eight hours in any day or 40 hours in any week.

Fled Jail, Fought in Pacific; Awaits Ruling on Technicality

SANDUSKY, O., April 20 (UP).—Frank Consolo, 27-year-old south Pacific veteran, sat glumly in the County jail today while authorities studied a legal technicality connected with his escape from here five years ago.

Consolo hoped the authorities would forget a charge of breaking and entering and his escape from the Erie County Jail in 1940 because of the "clean life I've led since then and my war record."

The honorably discharged veteran, who went through a series of sentences and paroles dating from 1937, escaped from the jail in 1940. He found a job and was inducted into

the Army. He served as a litter-bearer for two and a half years before receiving a discharge for malaria and nervousness.

He was returned here last night from New York where he was arrested. Consolo said he knew nothing of the robbery for which he was charged. Legal difficulties presented themselves because he escaped before an indictment was returned.

His wife is expecting a baby. They were married in New York. He met her while on furlough.

If the prosecuting attorney finds Consolo must face the charge, the case will go before the Grand Jury April 23.

Union Lookout

- Sign Time-Study Contract
- 'Angels Could Do It Better'

by Dorothy Loeb



An all-inclusive contract governing time study procedures used for setting incentive rates was signed recently by UE Local 430 and the Hammerlund Manufacturing Co., New York war plant. The agreement enables workers and their representatives to have a say in the method of establishing piece work rates. . . . One provision authorizes the union steward to inspect the layout, machinery and tools of an operation while the time study is being taken. Management is also obliged to provide the union with carbon copies of all time study observation on rates. Another clause invalidates the use of "synthetic" rates—those set from accumulated time study or production data, except by specific written agreement with the union. . . . Local 430 has started time study classes for all steward since the signing of the agreement. . . . Industrial engineers and technicians furnished by the Federation of Architects, Engineers, Chemists & Technicians cooperated with the UE local in drawing up the contract terms.

The New York CIO city-wide conference on veterans' problems Saturday, May 12, will be held at the Hotel Park Central. Earlier I mistakenly said it would take place at the Governor Clinton. Sorry. Locals are being asked to elect four delegates for this all-day meeting at which officials of the U. S. Veterans Administration, the War Manpower Commission, the American Legion and the Veterans of Foreign Wars are expected to participate in an exchange of views. . . . The American Labor Party has begun state-wide distribution of an attractive 14-page pamphlet on international affairs entitled "Angels Could Do It Better." It tells the story of Dumbarton Oaks and is the first of a series of publications on public issues that the party will put out.

Two former leaders of Local 99 of CIO State, County & Municipal Workers have been reported killed in action. Both held the post of treasurer when they went into service and both had been executive board members. They are Aaron Proshan and Harry Grossman. Proshan donned uniform first and Grossman succeeded him as treasurer until he, too, was called. State Fund Chapter 45 of Local 99, to which they were attached, will erect a plaque at union headquarters in their memory. . . . A new course for trade union organizers is scheduled by the Jefferson School of Social Science to begin April 30. The class will be limited to those who have had some organizational experience, including organizers, business agents, volunteer organizers and other union officials. Instructors will include Joseph Kehoe of American Communications Association; Leon Berney of United Office & Professional Workers; Joseph Dermody of UE, Douglas MacMahon of the Transport Workers Union, Robert Weinstein of State, County & Municipal Workers and Victor Rabinowitz, labor attorney. Fee: \$7. Time: Monday evenings from 8:10 to 10:10.

John Gibson, president of the Michigan CIO Council, has been named as assistant to Secretary of Labor Frances Perkins. He is affiliated with the United Retail, Wholesale & Department Store Employees. . . . The International Association of Machinists is preparing attractive gold and enamel union buttons for its veterans of this war. Buttons will be distributed without charge to members discharged from service. . . . The Teachers Union annual award for the year 1945 will go to Sidney Hillman, chairman of CIO-PAC. He gets it "for inspiring leadership in educating America for one world; for jobs, security and peace." Dr. Harlow Shapley, director of the Harvard College Observatory, will make the presentation today (Saturday) at the teachers' conference at Hotel Commodore.

UAW GREETES CHANGES IN PAC SETUP

Special to the Daily Worker

MILWAUKEE, April 19. — The general executive board of the CIO United Auto Workers, in session here, adopted a resolution backing the national CIO decision under which all PAC activities will be

carried on through state and city industrial union councils.

R. J. Thomas, UAW president, told the board that the change should contribute to greater unity among all the forces.

The national CIO resolution,

adopted April 12, provided:

1. That each state and city industrial union council establish a political action committee to carry out CIO programs of political education and action both among CIO members and in the community. These committees will be serviced by and work under the general supervision of CIO-PAC.

2. That each international union appoint at least one person to head political action, to maintain liaison with CIO-PAC and to give general direction to political action activities within the international union.

3. That state and city PACs, under the direction of national CIO-PAC in conjunction with other national CIO committees, inaugurate a campaign in their communities in support of Bretton Woods, Dumbarton Oaks, the Wagner-Murray-Dingell social security bill, the Murray-Thomas full employment bill, federal legislation for a 65-cent wage minimum and other issues to be determined.

The resolution also called on state and city PACs to campaign to extend registration and voting and collaboration of labor, progressive groups and forward-looking leaders in the two major political parties.

National PAC has prepared for publication of a pamphlet a month and looks forward to a circulation of 250,000 for each.

A \$250,000 fund to support PAC activities will be collected through contributions from CIO internationals and a program for voluntary contributions from individual CIO members and friends will be put into action.

UAW Acts on 40,000 Willow Run Layoffs

By HARRY FAINARU

DETROIT, April 20.—Faced with the threatening Aug. 1 shutdown of the huge Ford Willow Run bomber plant, the CIO United Auto Workers is convening an emergency national Ford conference here May 16. Richard T. Leonard, director of the UAW Ford department, announced today.

Approximately 205 delegates from locals in Ford plants are expected. Office of Defense Transportation approval is being sought.

Closing Willow Run would not only mean layoff of 20,000 employed there but would render jobless another 20,000 working at Ford's River Rouge, Lincoln and Highland Park plants where production is tied in with Willow Run output, Leonard said.

HOPE FOR SOLUTION

He expressed hope that something could still be worked out to avoid unnecessary hardships for the workers.

Announcement of the Aug. 1 closing was made by the Army Air Forces.

The gravity of the situation is complicated by the attitude taken by Brendan Sexton, newly-elected president of the UAW Local 50 at Willow Run. Sexton, a supporter of Walter Reuther, UAW vice-president, apparently hopes to exploit the threatening layoffs by instigating strike action.

A stoppage was under way at the very time of the meeting. Sexton jeered at the members for having voted to keep the pledge in the recent UAW referendum, took a sneering attitude toward the UAW national leadership, and sought to prolong the walkout. However, workers voted unanimously to return to the job.

Sexton was a member of the United Steelworkers before he came to auto. He was expelled for disruption.

O'Neal Backs Bretton

WASHINGTON, April 20. — Edward A. O'Neal, American Farm Bureau Federation president, today endorsed the Bretton Woods monetary agreements as a "necessary part of international cooperation and domestic economy."

Rieve Hails WLB Textile Raises

Emil Rieve, general president of the CIO Textile Workers Union, yesterday hailed wage increases just approved for 50,000 textile and rayon weaving workers as "a landmark" in the struggle against substandard wages.

In addition to a general five-cent an hour increase, the order steps up the minimum wage in the industry from 50 to 55 cents an hour.

Rieve said that in addition to those directly affected, another 50,000 would benefit by the increases because their employers, under TWUA contract, had agreed to accept whatever wage order was approved. Workers will get about \$100 a year more in their pay envelopes as a result of the order, based on a 40-hour week and 50 weeks' work, he estimated.

Still awaiting settlement is a balanced wage scale in cotton textile and rayon weaving. The WLB set up "guide post" wage rates for specific occupations and ordered union and mills to negotiate on that basis. Wages thus negotiated will require WLB and Office of Economic Stabilization approval.

While the increases went into effect, the government at the same time acted to reduce clothing costs. The OPA ordered apparel and accessory manufacturers to cut back their prices to average 1943 levels and thus trim retail prices about six percent. Aim of the order is to increase production of moderate and low-priced clothing while simultaneously reducing retail prices. In effect, it requires producers of cotton, wool and rayon garments and accessories to return to average price lines of 1943. The order is effective in June.

Ask Blue Ribbon Trial in Bribery

District Attorney William O'Dwyer's application yesterday for a blue ribbon jury hearing of the two gamblers indicted in the Brooklyn College basketball bribe scandal is now under consideration by Kings County Judge Carmine Marasco.

Harvey Stemmer and Harry Rosen are the gamblers involved. They are accused of giving five Brooklyn College hoopsters a \$1,000 bribe to throw a scheduled game with Akron University.

How Could You, Mr. Hearst?

Our professional sense is outraged at the sloppy job of journalism performed by the Hearst press.

Take, for instance, that column by George R. Brown Monday. Brown calls attention to Earl Browder's attack on Sen. Arthur Vandenberg made in Detroit a couple of weeks ago, and maintains that Browder is an agent of Moscow because about a month ago the Soviet War and the Workingclass criticized Vandenberg's position on foreign policy.

Of course, if Brown were really interested in accuracy, he would have discovered that Browder also attacked Vandenberg two months before the War and the Workingclass article appeared — at a Madison Square Garden speech on Jan. 15, to be precise.



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Reaction's 'Polish' Outcries

IT'S WELL TO NOTE those who are shouting the loudest over the differences in regard to Poland. The matter has become a Roman holiday for the men and interests who have never forgiven our war against fascism.

The Nazis, still boldly hoping through the voice of Goebbels for division among the Allies, eagerly seize on this issue for new anti-Soviet outcries. In this country the group around Herbert Hoover brings the matter forward for direct anti-Soviet aims.

The Social Democrats push it forward, just as they backed the Chetniks in Yugoslavia and those outfits in many other countries which had collaborated with Nazism. Certain backward-looking sections of the Catholic hierarchy take up the hue and cry.

Up to the present the reactionaries have been setting the tone on the Polish question.

Unfortunately, the liberals are not recognizing what is afoot. They have shown no awareness of the actual line-up and the grave danger that the defeatist mouthings represent to the success of San Francisco.

What Yalta Said

As to the Polish question itself, just what is the exact state of affairs? The Yalta agreement says: "A new situation has been created in Poland as a result of her complete liberation by the Red Army. This calls for the establishment of a Polish Provisional Government which can be more broadly based than was possible before the recent liberation of western Poland. The Provisional Government which is now functioning in Poland shall therefore be reorganized on a broader democratic basis with the inclusion of democratic leaders from Poland itself and from Poles abroad. This new government shall then be called the Polish Provisional Government of National Unity."

The so-called Polish government in London is not even mentioned in this document. That clique consists of gentlemen who have always played with the Nazis. They are the colleagues and political heirs of Col. Beck and Pilsudski, fastening iron semi-fascist rule on the Polish people and deserting when Hitler invaded Poland. They banked on the victory of Hitler instead of the United Nations. They deserve no consideration.

On the other hand, there was the real Poland whose leadership grew up from the people's ranks in struggle against the aggressor. From such people has arisen the Provisional Government. It is composed of many groups. There are industrialists, Catholic bishops and representatives of the old parties in its leadership. It is not Communist in character, and its distribution of land among the peasants is anything but communism.

We don't know what the present differences are. Some other people, who also don't know, continue nevertheless to assail the Soviet Union as somehow guilty of something. In view of the past stand of the Soviet Union, which was so definitely confirmed at Yalta, no one has the right to condemn that country in the present instance. Everything points to a contrary judgment.

Pressure of Backward-Looking Cliques

Such differences as do exist apparently arise from differing opinions as to what groups constitute democratic influences in Poland. And here the differences seem not to be so pronounced among the Big Three themselves. They arise much more from the pressure of the backward-looking cliques who want to see their friends included in Polish governing circles. These "friends of Poland" have always been enemies of United Nations unity.

Of course, the ultimate future of that country will be decided by elections there. The Big Three have all stated their desire for "an independent, democratic Poland" and that promise has been safeguarded by provisions for a secret ballot and universal suffrage.

With the Polish people doing so much to bring about victory over Hitler, it doesn't seem unreasonable that the present Provisional Government should be seated at San Francisco if no agreement on broadening it as per Yalta agreement can be achieved before April 25. Naturally it would be best—and we hope this can be done—if such an agreement is reached in time.

Polish armies are now marching shoulder-to-shoulder with the Red Army in its final assaults on Berlin, and that calls for consideration.

More important even than this, however, is the need for our people to recognize the object of those who are beating the anti-Soviet tom-toms on this matter. The people should be on guard against such trickery.

IN THE LINE OF DUTY



— Between the Lines —

Poland --- Key to Frisco

by Joseph Starobin

ALL eyes are turning westward this week-end, across the plains and over the mountains to San Francisco, where the first, full-scale meeting of the United Nations will be opening next Wednesday morning. And while the delegates are assembling, while the correspondents are travelling westward, it will be a good thing, I believe, to raise your eyeglasses to your forehead, rub your eyes a bit, and have a second look at the parley. There's a lot less in it than some people want, a lot more than appears at first sight.



San Francisco has a specific and limited job—to adopt a charter for a world security organization. The draft of the charter is prepared. It is the Dumbarton Oaks plan. And the emphasis is not simply on a world organization, but a security organization. It is therefore not an assembly to create out of hand some new kind of world fellowship, not even a conference to establish a new code of international law on all human problems. It is a conference to build an organization against one thing—aggression.

San Francisco is not another meeting of the great powers, on the order of Teheran and Yalta, which dealt with fundamental problems, with the course of the war, with relations of power between the socialist and capitalist sectors of the world. It is not intended to involve the small nations together with the big ones in writing every detail of the peace. It is not the peace conference, if there will ever be a peace conference in the sense of past parleys.

Nevertheless, it is inevitable that this first political meeting of the United Nations—while specifically limited in scope—represents a test of actual relations among the great powers.

Parley Will Test Yalta Agreement

San Francisco will not revise the Yalta agreement as a whole—the way Mr. Vandenberg desired, as Mr. Hoover is still so anxious to do. But there is no doubt that San Francisco will

test the agreement, will test its depth and its ability to give leadership to all the smaller nations.

In all the proposed amendments to the Dumbarton Oaks plan, the problem of giving maximum powers to the Security Council has been in the forefront. But who will expect the Security Council to work cooperatively unless the great powers (who will be decisive in the Security Council) show that they are working harmoniously even before the organization is set up?

That is where the Polish problem comes in. Here is an issue inherited from the Yalta conference. If it cannot be settled satisfactorily before the San Francisco meeting, is bound to throw a long shadow before it. This is why the meeting of the three foreign ministers in Washington this week-end is so important.

If they produce agreement on the Polish question at last, in the form of a government of national unity for Poland, this will be a good sign for the future and a way of liquidating the past. If no such agreement is reached, and if the Soviet Union's insistence that Poland's present government must attend the parley is rejected—then the impact of this will be felt on the entire San Francisco meeting. The Soviet Union has taken a very firm stand on this issue. One may say that its prestige as a leading power is at stake. Therefore all nations are watching how the Soviet Union's allies will behave on this problem.

Problem of Imperative Social Changes

On the face of it, the nature of the Polish government seems to have nothing to do with maintaining peace against aggression. But actually, if a question already decided in February is not finally decided by April—how can we expect the great powers to act promptly and harmoniously in future tests to the Security Council of the proposed organization? This is the real question which

arises from the whole Polish issue, and that is its bearing upon San Francisco.

But Poland has a particular importance also for the whole future of Europe. The boundaries of Germany are involved, because of East Prussia and Silesia. The disposal of Germany's economy is also involved.

Poland is a country which will have a democratic government for the first time in its history; the important thing about the leaders of the Warsaw regime is that they represent new social forces in Poland, dedicated to rebuild her as a powerful industrial and agricultural state, and as a friend of her Slavic neighbors. In all of eastern Europe we have problems of imperative social changes, similar to Poland.

Unless Great Britain and the United States finally accept such changes for Poland—by way of recognizing a government built around the Warsaw regime—there is no complete assurance that they will accept the whole pattern of internal and external relations in the rest of eastern Europe.

At Yalta, this was accepted in principle, but there have proven to be many slips between the cup and the lip. A world organization cannot be built on such uncertainties, and it cannot be expected to function successfully until these uncertainties are completely removed.

That is why Poland must be represented at San Francisco, as a token sign of full confidence in the workability of the organization. And if no agreement on the list of ministers for a new Polish government can be reached by next Wednesday, then the Warsaw regime must be invited, with the understanding that it will be broadened later.

Here is one of those matters bearing on the whole structure of the peace, which will be a barometer for the political weather in California in the next few weeks.

— Worth Repeating —

CRITICISM of the loose talk about Secretary of State Stettinius' short tenure of office was made by Lowell Mellett in the New York Post of April 19, in which he said: The President has confidence in Stettinius. Time after time Congress has shown the same confidence. Until Stettinius gives some reason to the contrary, we will do well to share that confidence and cease giving him any reason for feeling that the ground beneath him is uncertain.

Today's Guest Column

DURING the forthcoming UNCIO at San Francisco we shall have to guard against those who, from good or bad motives, expect it to solve all the current problems of mankind. We shall have to take care to keep our attention focussed upon the achievement of the primary purposes of the conference. There will be many diversions created, some by persons and groups honestly wanting the solution of their particular problem, others by those intent upon sabotage and division.

On Oct. 9 of last year two days after the Dumbarton Oaks proposals were made public, our late President said: "The projected international organization has for its primary purpose the maintenance of international peace and security and the creation of the conditions that make for peace." It is to form such an organization that the UNCIO is being held.

In the words of the official invitation to the conference drafted at Yalta the nations are invited to San Francisco "to prepare a charter for a general international organization for the maintenance of international peace and security." The invitation further states that the sponsoring nations, the United States, the Soviet Union, Great Britain and China, "consider as a basis for such a charter" the recom-



by Frederick V. Field

mendations of Dumbarton Oaks supplemented by the decisions regarding voting procedure in the Security Council reached at Yalta.

THE UNCIO will not be a peace conference, nor has it been called to plough new political ground. Far-reaching political decisions have already been made by the United Nations and particularly by those nations most responsible for winning the war and upon whom the greatest responsibility will devolve for maintaining the postwar peace. These are embodied in the Atlantic Charter, in the concord of Moscow, Teheran and Crimea and in the recommendations of Dumbarton Oaks. Other proposals of great importance were worked out at Bretton Woods and at the Hot Springs conference on food. San Francisco will not be another such meeting designed to reach new political decisions. Instead, it will be a meeting charged with the creation of an international organization capable of maintaining the peace and security made possible by Teheran and Yalta and the other conferences and capable of bringing about what Franklin Roosevelt called "the conditions that make for peace."

Everything in the world has not been solved by Teheran, Yalta, etc. Only the key questions involved in welding a wartime and peacetime unity among the principal anti-fascist nations have been solved.

Some Problems Before The Frisco Parley

MANY problems remain unsolved and among these one of the most important, involving the largest number of people and the greatest threat to postwar security, is the colonial issue. Others of pressing importance are the existence of Franco Spain, of the Farrell-Peron government in Argentina and the presence of many other Nazi hideouts. China remains disunited, under the dominance of a feudal clique steeped in medievalism. Racial and religious discrimination oppress the lives and welfare of scores of millions of people. All of these unresolved problems furnish fuel for future conflagrations.

The importance of the UNCIO is that it is charged with the supremely important job of creating a world organization, based upon the key problems already settled, which will be capable of facing and solving the issues which remain unsolved. Sooner or later the new organization will have to deal firmly with Franco and Peron, it will have to supervise the liquidation of the colonial system, it will have to substitute human dignity for discrimination. If the San Francisco conference produces an organization capable of meeting such tests it will mark one of the great historic steps of history.

We can take no chances with the necessity of establishing such an organization. We cannot afford to permit extraneous issues to befuddle the essential organizational task of the delegates. We ask of San Francisco only that it work out the method whereby unsolved problems may be resolved.

Listen Here,



Mr. Editor

Artists, 57th St.

And Greenwich Ave.

Manhattan.

Editor, Daily Worker:

John Meldon's column of April 3 is another example of ideas on art and artists that should have no place in the Daily Worker.

What he really says in his first paragraph, is that many good artists are now selling their work so that they don't have to starve in those romantic, Bohemian attics and lofts. In other words, it's wrong for the artist to sell his work and live like a decent human being.

It's wrong for the artist to have anything to do with established business outlets known as galleries if they are above 14 St. because it contaminates him.

It's all right for progressive writers to have their work published by conservative established publishing houses and even to go to Hollywood, but for an artist to retain his honesty he must shun any contact with established institutions.

Besides being silly from this point of view, his place is very leftist and is certainly no help to unity in this field. It is not necessary to tear down 57 St. in order to build up a modest establishment on Greenwich Ave. If this can't be done any other way, then it isn't worth while doing, because of the harm done.

HARRY GOTTILIEB.

Hearst Stuff On FDR Is Indecent

Bronx.

Editor, Daily Worker:

As decent Americans it is pretty hard for us to stomach the slobbering of the Hearsts and other defeatists over the memory of the late President. They bore false witness aplenty against him when he lived and worked. Now they hide their designs behind all kinds of soft words and phrases. Particularly do they try to take President Truman into their camp by honeyed expressions. But at the same time, they shoot at everything to which the new President has pledged himself. Their performance is indecent.

JANE BLAIR.

We Mourn Our Great Loss

Manhattan.

Editor, Daily Worker:

F. D. R. is dead. His sudden passing away leaves us with a feeling of shocked surprise and a deep sorrow at that unfortunate fate which robbed this far-seeing fighter of the final fruits of his victory at the very moment when he was about to see the culmination of his struggle—the final destruction of fascism.

As we sum up his brilliant gifts we realize that America has lost a great statesman, perhaps the greatest leader his country ever had. We can nevertheless be grateful that our country and the world had the incomparable privilege of his skillful and inspired guidance through what was undoubtedly the most trying and dangerous period in its history.

We know how hard his place is to fill, but we pledge unstinted cooperation to his successor, President Harry S. Truman. His work must go on in the same spirit—the spirit of the greatest possible unity of all the American people.

JEROME BULLINGER.

The opinions expressed in these letters are those of the readers and not necessarily of the paper. We welcome letters from our readers and their friends on subjects of current interest. To facilitate the printing of as many letters as possible, and to allow for the freest discussion, please limit letters to 300 words.

Views On Labor News

I DON'T KNOW if Thomas De Lorenzo has any more tricks up his sleeve to duck service in the Army, now that his second appeal to the draft board has been denied, but he has already done plenty of damage to the labor movement.

This is the gentleman who became nationally notorious as president of Brewster Aeronautical Local 365, United Automobile Workers, CIO. He will be remembered for the 1943 strike he called at the Johnsville, Pa., plant of the company. At a House Naval Affairs Committee hearing that followed, he said that his policy is "not to win the war at any cost" but to win it "without sacrificing too many of the rights which we have at present."

Further testimony of that hearing quoted him as saying that "if I had brothers at the front who needed the 10 or 12 planes that were sacrificed, I'd let them die if necessary to preserve our way of life."

Among his other virtues, De Lorenzo led a group in the UAW that has been campaigning to rescind the no-strike pledge. His own local he runs with the aid of a gang of Trotskyites.

"TOMMY," as the bunch of characters he has collected around himself call him, was busily engaged in raiding shops of CIO



by George Morris

and AFL unions, scuttling long-established contracts, when the belated call from the draft board arrived. Now, by all the postulates of his teachers, the Trotskyites jailed at Minneapolis, "Tommy" should have been eager to join the army. In the trial testimony, the directives of their leader, James P. Cannon, were read which advised Trotskyites to join and work in the army "the same way as in the shop" (as in the Brewster shop, we might add). "We go in and defend the interests of the slave of military exploitation just as we go into the factory and fight against factory exploitation," went on Cannon, but he cautioned his Trotskyite soldiers to "be careful, cautious. Make no putsches, make no premature moves that expose us and separate us from the masses." The testimony which Cannon acknowledged, went even further, when the manifesto of the "Fourth International" was quoted, saying, "We call for the fraternization of soldiers with soldiers on the opposite side of the battlefield."

But "Tommy's" boys apparently figured out that he is much more useful as leader of the raiding expeditions in Long Island as a violator of the no-strike pledge and for such other noble work. But to the disgrace of labor, a number of officials of the UAW, including the regional director, intervened to plea in his behalf and went as high as Gen. Lewis B. Hershey.

It Takes One DeLorenzo To Blacken a Record

SINCE then many papers from coast to coast ran editorials properly indignant that a character like De Lorenzo should be able to play ducks and drakes with even draft authorities. Just as was done with his House committee testimony, the generally anti-labor press made the most of the case to picture De Lorenzo as a "typical" labor leader. You can take a Pegler, a Dies and 50 of the most poisonous anti-labor press agents in the country and roll them into one, and they couldn't be as harmful to labor as one De Lorenzo.

The great tribute to labor is the fact that there is just one De Lorenzo, but tens of thousands of local and national union officers went into the armed services to the cheers and sendoff parties of their members. The pictures of many of them are already draped in black in many a local union hall.

Some international unions, like the United Office and Professional Workers and State, County and Municipal Workers, lost the bulk of their executives to the army. Top officers like Austin Hogan and John Santo of the Transport Workers Union and organization director James Matles of the United Electrical, Radio and Machine Workers, are on military duty. A quarter million members and officers of De Lorenzo's own union (some of them already dead or wounded) answered the colors. But Tommy De Lorenzo—his front is in Long Island City.

Facts for Victory

DON'T let anyone tell you that the fine points of the Bretton Woods proposals are so technical that no one can understand them or pass on their merits except an international exchange banker.

This is the bunk. Economists, for example, certainly know something about such matters, and many of them from practical experience in the field. The Economists' Committee on the Bretton Woods program polled about 450 economists, including all those listed in the American Economic Association directory as interested in international economic relations, money and banking, business cycles and national economies.

About half replied and 90 percent of them approved the Bretton Woods program as a whole. And of 18 of the 22 ex-presidents of the American Economic Association who replied, 16 approved.

On the basis of this showing, Prof. Seymour E. Harris of Harvard declared recently: "The people may well ask whether the views of the economists of the country are to merit consideration on grounds of technical competence and absence of vested interest or whether they should accept the views of the Bankers Association committee, which has a strong vested interest and seems to hold the stabilization of exchanges, the relation of



by Labor Research Assn.

trade and exchange barriers, the provision of a higher standard of living and greater employment are merely questions of banking technique."

PAUL A. SAMUELSON, associate professor of economics at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, writing in the New Republic (April 9), puts the situation even more strongly when he states the fact that the bankers opposed the formation of the Federal Reserve System when it was first proposed. They fought the Securities and Exchange Commission which at least gives a modicum of protection to the small investor. They were against even the Federal Deposit Insurance Corp.

Samuelson then says: "One sometimes wonders whether more than good penmanship is required for the banking profession. Certainly, of the 50 committee members whose names grace the publication of the American Bankers' Association criticizing Bretton Woods, not 10 have any pretensions toward expertise, and not five could pass an examination on Bretton Woods or on the gold standard or on exchange control."

As for the economists, we're inclined to believe they understand the broad implications of international trade and investment much better than the smartest of those few bankers who are trying to wreck Bretton Woods.

Leading Economists Back Bretton Woods Program

AMONG the leading economic thinkers who are backing the proposals are such men as Wesley C. Mitchell, James W. Angell and J. M. Clark of Columbia, Oliver M. W. Sprague and Alvin H. Hansen of Harvard, and Frank D. Graham and Winfield Riefler of Princeton. Among the former presidents of the AEA who are backing the bill in Congress are also John R. Commons, Ernest L. Bogart, Irving Fisher, Edwin F. Gay, Harry A. Mills, Alvin S. Johnson, Frederick C. Mills, Edwin G. Nourse and Jacob Viner.

These eminent economists back the Roosevelt-Truman Bretton Woods program because, as they say, it represents the first attempt of the United Nations to reach agreement on vital economic issues.

"The experience of the interwar period," they point out, "has demonstrated that neither the operation of the international gold standard nor the independent action of national governments will achieve workable exchange arrangements." These can be arrived at only through the operations of the proposed International Monetary Fund.

This fund, these economists contend, "provides a program for avoiding competitive currency depreciation" and "related forms of economic warfare. This is in line with the fundamental U.S. trade policy of free enterprise with a minimum of administrative interference, discrimination, bilateralism and international 'barter.'"

Liberated GIs Back in U. S. Praise Polish Gov't Aid

BOSTON, April 20 (UP).—Some 750 American soldiers, liberated from German prison camps by the advancing Red Army, hurried eagerly off an Army transport onto their native soil here today on the last lap of their trip home.

Tanned and somewhat rested, the soldiers disembarked to martial music and immediately entrained for Camp Myles Standish at Taunton.

In their first interviews here, the soldiers told of the moldy sawdust bread and the horse meat stew doled out by the Germans. The Germans, they said kept them marching through Germany and Poland.

The returned soldiers had praise for the Polish people.

Sgt. James J. O'Neill, 28, of 144 Elm St., Staten Island, N. Y., said an entire ward of a Polish hospital was turned over to seven American soldiers for a rest cure.

On their arrival today the soldiers were welcomed home by Brig. Gen. Calvin DeWitt, Jr., commanding officer of the Boston Port of Embarkation, who represented Gen. George C. Marshall, Chief of Staff.

The men then received part of their back pay in preparation for 45-day furloughs starting tomorrow. Their first meal at the camp here included steak and ice cream.

Hungarians Bare Plot in U. S. to Restore Horthy Fascism Abroad

Hungarian-American reactionaries have launched a new move to disrupt Hungary's democratic development and threaten peace in Europe, Hungarian Daily Journal will charge today.

The progressive newspaper quotes extensively from an anti-unity declaration by the American Hungarian Federation published on April 13, the day following President Roose-

velt's death, in the reactionary Polish-controlled New York daily, Amerikai Magyar Nepszava.

The Federation participated in 1938 in the Budapest "world congress" of Hungarian fascism, and thereafter spread Axis propaganda in the United States. Since the war, however, it expressed vocal agreement with Big Three policies. Its sudden change, as expressed

in last week's declaration, would not have been possible if the Federation "had not obtained support from reactionary American circles or assurances from Hungarian politicians who in the past have represented Horthyism [Hungarian feudal-fascism] and have their agents here—Tibor Eckhardt, Bator Viktor, Hapsburg monarchist circles," the Journal editor will charge.

The Federation's declaration expressed disappointment over Soviet "interpretation" of the Yalta agreement. It forecast "new crises" in Hungary in such a way, the Journal asserts, as to agitate for civil war. In what the Journal nails as "an attempt to rescue Hungarian and international fascism," the Federation called punishment of war criminals "terror."

The Federation's attack on Hungarian democracy, the Journal reveals, is coupled with an effort to disrupt the unity of American Hungarians and incite them to interfere in behalf of Hungarian fascism.

The Journal editorial warns the State Department that Federation reactionaries may seek government permission to return to Hungary and there "create the impression that the United States approves their disruption." The newspaper previously had named two pro-fascists, Martin Himler and Ferenc Deak, who are trying to get into Hungary as American officers.

Jurists to Offer Court Proposals to Frisco

WASHINGTON, April 20 (UP).—International law experts of 44 United Nations polished up one cog of the projected world security machinery today, five days before opening of the San Francisco world security conference.

The jurists agreed on a set of recommendations for revising the old court of International Justice established at The Hague shortly after the last war. A tentative blueprint will be submitted to the United Nations after the conference begins next week.

The judicial delegates decided to recommend that the new world court, which will function as a part of the United Nations organization, should be located at The Hague as was its predecessor.

Unable to agree definitely on two points, they adopted alternative suggestions for the consideration of San Francisco delegations. These functions dealt with (1) the method of nominating and electing judges and (2) the question of whether member nations of the court should be compelled to submit certain types of disputes to the court.

In the first case, it was understood, the jurists will suggest that the San Francisco delegates agree either to the old World Court procedure of nominating court judges through representatives in the Permanent Court of International Arbitration or to a regulation that judges be nominated by individual countries through normal diplomatic channels.

The jurists proposed in the second case either that the United Nations organization require all court members to subscribe to compulsory submission of specified disputes to the court or that an "option clause" similar to the old court's be inserted in the revised statute. The option would permit countries to participate in the court without binding themselves to submit all disputes of a given nature to the court's jurisdiction.

Mrs. Roosevelt To Get Franking Right

WASHINGTON, April 20 (UP).—President Truman today requested that the franking privilege customarily extended to widows of Presidents be extended to Mrs. Roosevelt. The Senate by unanimous vote immediately passed the necessary legislation.

Warns 'American Committee on Spain' Is Prieto Stodge Group

All real friends of a free Spain should be warned against the so-called "American Committee for a Free Spanish Republic," David McKelvy White, secretary of the Veterans of the Abraham Lincoln Brigade, told the Daily Worker yesterday.

"This committee was formed to support Indalecio Prieto's red-baiting campaign against Premier Juan Negrin and the anti-Franco unity of the Spanish people," White asserted.

The American Committee Thursday sponsored a press conference for Prieto and three of his friends at Hotel Gotham at which they announced their intention of proceeding to San Francisco. The veterans earlier exposed the fact that David Dubinsky had rented a house for

Prieto there. "It was to be expected that Prieto should receive the assistance of such figures as Matthew Woll, and David Dubinsky," White continued, "but since he represents only a tiny and disruptive section of the people of Spain, this Spanish Mikhallovitch must not be allowed to delude the American people into supporting him or his dubious 'American committee.'"

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ELIZABETH GURLEY FLYNN to speak on the San Francisco Conference. Bring your friends. Utica Center Club C. P. A., 289 Utica Avenue, 8 P. M.

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ADAM LAPIN will speak on the "Significance of the San Francisco Conference," Sunday, April 29th, 8:15 P. M., the Jefferson Club CPA, 201 West 72nd St., Room 216, 25c.

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New York to Salute Frisco Parley April 25

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New York City will salute the San Francisco Conference with a mass Carnegie Hall rally at the close of the Conference's first day of business, Wednesday, April 25.

Leading representatives of government, business, labor and education are scheduled to speak as the rally gets going under the auspices of 32 civic, political and religious organization.

Quentin Reynolds, author, will be chairman, with Charles P. Taft, of the State Department, and Rep. Emily Taft Douglas (D-Ill.), speaking for the Truman Administration. Other speakers include Ray Murphy, past national commander of the American Legion; B. W. DuBois, of the Independent Bankers Association; Oscar L. Ewing, vice-chairman of the National Democratic Committee; Dr. Charlotte Hawkins Brown, president, Palmer Memorial Institute; Lewis Merrill, president, CIO United

Office and Professional Workers; and Robert Schrank, president, New York State Council of the Machinist Union, AFL.

Rallies also scheduled, starting tomorrow (Sunday), for the week of the Frisco Conference are:

• Independent Citizens' Committee of the Arts, Sciences and Professions, April 22 at the Hudson Theatre, 44th St., Manhattan; with U. S. Sen. James M. Tunnell of Delaware speaking on the Conference.

• East Bronx Rally at Hunt's Point Palace, Southern Blvd. and 163rd St., April 24; sponsorship by civic organizations, with speakers including State Sen. Paul Fino, Judge Wm. Lyman, Assemblymen Arthur Wachtel and Julius J. Gans; and Isidore Begun of the Communist Political Association, 8 p. m.

• Midwood-Kings Highway Community Committee rally, April 22, at 1:30 p. m., George Wingate Field,

E. 17th St. and Ave K, Bklyn. Speakers include Dr. Frank Kingdon, Fannie Hurst, Frederick Myers, vice-president, National Maritime Union.

• Utica Center, Communist Political Association, 289 Utica Ave., Brooklyn, rally on April 22; Elizabeth Gurley Flynn will speak on Labor and San Francisco.

• Rally by Chelsea Council for Citizens Action and other civic groups, on Friday, April 27, as a tribute to Franklin D. Roosevelt and a salute to the San Francisco Conference. Speakers include Rep. Ellsworth Buck; State Sen. Francis Mahoney; Eugene P. Connolly, American Labor Party; and William Agar, president, Freedom House.

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Truman for FDR Policy On Palestine, Says Wise

WASHINGTON, April 20 (UP).—Dr. Stephen S. Wise said today that President Truman "in clear and unmistakable terms" has asserted his support of President Roosevelt's policies in regard to Palestine.

Dr. Wise visited the White House in his capacity as chairman of the American Zionist Emergency Council. He said the President had authorized him to say that he is carrying out the policies of President Roosevelt—and that "we, his visitors, knew what Mr. Roosevelt's policy in regard to Palestine has been."

Dr. Wise quoted President Roosevelt's most recent statement on Zionism, which the Rabbi said was on Mr. Truman's desk. This statement was made to Sen. Robert F. Wagner (D-NY), who read it at the Zionist convention at Atlantic City on Oct. 15 last year.

Mr. Roosevelt in that statement

said efforts would be made to find "appropriate ways and means" of fulfilling the Democratic Party platform plank calling for the opening of Palestine "to unrestricted Jewish immigration and colonization, and such a policy as to result in the establishment there of a free and democratic Jewish commonwealth."

Wise also revealed that on March 16 last, Mr. Roosevelt reiterated his position on Zionism.

Wise was accompanied today by Dr. Hayim Greenberg, chairman of the council's executive committee, and Herman Shulman, chairman of its administrative committee.

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LOW DOWN

About Gray, Dodgers, Cronin and Barrow

By Nat Low

We are sorry to see Pete Gray, the Browns' one-armed outfielder, already benched. Pete got a single on opening day and was robbed of an extra base hit by Roger Cramer on another belt but the second day he went hitless and looked bad doing it, too, so yesterday manager Luke Sewell had Babe Martin field instead of Gray.

No final judgment can yet be made on Gray's ability or inability to hit big league pitching, but he'll still draw crowds whenever he does play and cannot fail to be the popular choice of the fans—who are a sentimental bunch.

It seems as if Joe Cronin's career has finally come to an end. Cronin broke his ankle sliding into second base in the Yankee game Thursday and at his age—38—a broken ankle is serious business from which a man does not recover soon. It may be the best way Joe had of bowing out of active play. Only the exigencies of the war kept the retound ex-slugger in the lineup long after he had lost the ability to play top flight ball during the course of a season.

Cronin is one of the more affable people in the game and the one way he could make himself the best loved figure in baseball would be by signing Jackie Robinson, the Negro star, to replace him at the hot corner.

Robinson worked out with the Red Sox Monday and impressed Cronin and head scout Hugh Duffie very much. Reports from Boston tell us that Robinson has been working out every day at Fenway Park under the supervision of George "Specs" Torporcer, old time player and now chief of the Sox farm system.

You wouldn't believe it, but the Stanley Cup hockey playoffs are still going on with the Toronto Maple Leafs leading the Detroit Red Wings three games to two. The Wings, after being shut out in the first three games have come back to win the next two, the latest one being a 2-0 blanking of their own.

If the business drags on much longer the boys will be playing the series simultaneously with the World Series.

Now it seems that Ed Barrow, who yesterday turned down the job as Commissioner of Baseball, had never been offered the job in the first place. According to Alva Bradley, president of the Cleveland Indians and a member of the four-man committee which was selected to name a successor to Judge Landis, "Somebody put words in Barrow's mouth."

Now I wonder who that somebody is? The World-Telegram, which has long been boosting Barrow for the job, yesterday carried a story in its earlier editions claiming that Barrow had been offered the job. The story was a World-Telegram "exclusive." No other paper in the country knew about the offer to Barrow. . . . So maybe the "somebody" is not too difficult to identify, after all.

Leo Durocher has quit second base; has yanked Augie Galan off first base and put him back in the outfield where he belongs; has benched Morris Aderholt and has severely criticized the play of Mike Sandlock at short.

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Yankees Take Fourth in Row, Beat Nats, 6-4

The Yankees, off to their fastest start in some years, took their fourth straight game yesterday in Washington, beating the Senators, 6 to 3, behind the five-hit pitching of Floyd Bevens and Al Gettel.

The Yankees, who beat the Red Sox three times running to open the season, hold undisputed possession of first place. Yesterday they beat knuckle baller Mickey Haefner, scoring three runs in the fourth inning and two more in the fifth before the Senators could score a run.

The Nats came across with two in the fifth and one more in the sixth but that was all while the Yanks tallied one more in the eighth to clinch the contest. The Yankees got 11 hits but made four errors.

The teams play again today.

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Bragan All Set to Go Into Army

PORT McCLELLAN, Ala., April 20.—Catcher Bobby Bragan of the Brooklyn Dodgers awaited assignment into the Navy today after passing his induction physical. Bragan requested Navy duty after his induction yesterday.

11 A.M. TO NOON

11:00-WEAF—First Piano Quartet
WOR—News; Talk; Music
WJZ—Korgon Orchestra
WABC—News; Warren Sweeney
WMCA—News; Music Box
WQXR—News; Opera Arias
11:05-WABC—Let's Pretend—Sketch
11:30-WEAF—Smilin' Ed McConnell
WOR—Hookey Hall
WJZ—Betty Moore—Talk
WABC—Billie Burke—Show
WMCA—Shopping Talk—Lois Long

NOON TO 2 P.M.

12:00-WEAF—News; Consumer Time
WOR—Man on the Farm
WJZ—Herman and Banta, Music
WABC—Theatre of Today
WMCA—News; Recorded Music
WQXR—News; Luncheon Concert
12:15-WJZ—Radio Harris—Broadway News
12:30-WEAF—Atlantic Spotlight
WOR—News; The Answer Man
WJZ—News; Home and Garden
WABC—Stars Over Hollywood
1:00-WEAF—The Veteran's Aide
WOR—Jack Bundys' Album
WJZ—News; Fun Canteen; Comedy
WABC—Grand Central Station
WMCA—News; Recorded Music
WQXR—News; Midday Symphony
1:15-WEAF—Variety Musicale
WOR—Lopes Orchestra
WMCA—Health Talk
1:25-WABC—News Reports
1:30-WEAF—The Human Adventure
WJZ—The Fighting AAF
WABC—Reports to the Nation
WMCA—Recorded Music
1:45-WEAF—John Mac Vane, News
WMCA—This Is Our Town

2 P.M. TO 6 P.M.

2:00-WEAF—Variety Musicale
WOR—Wings for Tomorrow
WJZ—News; Music
WABC—Of Men and Books
WMCA—News; Piano Lesson
WQXR—News; Concert Music
2:15-WABC—Adventures in Science
WMCA—Christian Science Talk
WJZ—Theodora Lynch, Soprano
2:30-WEAF—Sports—Grantland Rice
WJZ—It's a Hit—Baseball Quiz
WABC—Carolina Hayride
WMCA—News; Music
WQXR—Music of Our Time
2:45-WOR—Talk—Stanley Maxted
WABC—It's a Merry Time
3:00-WEAF—Chicago Symphony
WOR—This Is Halloween
WJZ—Saturday Senior Swing
WABC—The Land Is Bright
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Giants Rip Dodgers, 10-6; Weintraub Hits 2

By PHIL GORDON

The Giants opened their home season at the Polo Grounds yesterday very auspiciously, beating the Dodgers 10 to 6, with belting Phil Weintraub doing most of the damage by whamming two homers into the seats, knocking in four runs with them.

A crowd of 14,378 fans saw Mayor LaGuardia throw out the first ball almost froze to death watching the two teams engage in a typical Polo Grounds game with five pitchers taking part and five homers hit, two by Weintraub, one by pitcher Harry Feldman, one by Mike Sandlock, Dodger rookie shortstop and another by Ed Stanky.

Only Weintraub's first round-tripper was a real honest-to-goodness wallop. It came in the first inning with Steve Filipowicz on base and travelled some 400 feet into the lower right field stands near the bullpen. Weintraub now leads the majors in homers with three.

Harry Feldman started for the Giants and stayed around till the eighth when Danny Gardella pinch hit for him when the score was 7-6 in his favor. Tom Seats, an aged lefty, started for the Dodgers and was driven to the showers early in the third inning when Clyde King took over. Ray Hathaway came in in the eighth and finished.

The Giants got off to a three-run lead in the first when George Hausmann walked and Ott singled him to third. Filipowicz forced

Baseball Standings

(Not including yesterday's games)

National League				American League			
	W.	L.	Pct.		W.	L.	Pct.
N. Y.	3	1	.750	N. Y.	3	0	1.000
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Cin.	2	1	.667	Detroit	2	1	.667
St. L.	1	1	.500	Wash.	2	1	.667
Chicago	1	1	.500	Phila.	1	2	.333
Pitt.	1	2	.333	St. L.	1	2	.333
Phila.	1	2	.333	Cleve.	0	2	.000
Boston	1	3	.250	Boston	0	3	.000

Ottie at second and then came the first of Weintraub's homers. The Dodgers came back with two in the second a single by Mickey Owen and Sandlock's homer to right field and then went ahead in the third when Stanky walked, Augie Galan singled and Dixie Walker doubled them both home with a screaming hit to center field.

But the Dodger lead was short-lived for the Giants smashed right back with three runs in their half of the frame when Ott was hit by a pitched ball, Filipowicz singled, Weintraub walked, and Lombardi singled to be followed by Johnny Kerr's long fly. That gave the Giants a lead they never gave up.

It was the Giants' fourth victory in five games since the season's start on Tuesday and put them in undisputed possession of first place.

10:00-WEAF—Judy Canova Show
WOR—Theater of the Air
WJZ—Andy Russell Show
10:15-WABC—Al Pearce Show
10:30-WEAF—Grand Ole Opry
WJZ—Gray Orchestra
WMCA—Frank Kingston
WQXR—Concert Music
10:45-WABC—To Be Announced
WMCA—Marine Corps Program
11:00-WEAF—WABC—News; Music
WMCA—News; Talk; Music
WJZ—WOR—News; Music
WQXR—News; Just Music
11:30-WEAF—I Sustain the Wings
WABC—News; Music
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In the News

The Teachers Union will present an award this afternoon to Sidney Hillman for "Inspiring Leadership in Education for Democracy." The award will be made by Dr. Harlow Shapley. The presentation ceremonies will be broadcast over Station WQXR at 2:30 p.m.

Dr. Shapley, director of the Harvard College Observatory, himself received the Franklin Medal last Wednesday for his "many valuable contributions to the science of astronomy." The award was made by the Franklin Institute of Philadelphia.

The distinguished Harvard astronomer, who is an active member of the Independent Citizens Committee of the Arts, Sciences, and Professions, was a vigorous campaigner for the election of Roosevelt and Truman last November.

The American Negro Theatre will hold its first fund raising benefit ball tomorrow (Sunday) evening at the Golden Gate ballroom, 142 St. and Lenox Ave.

Among the sponsors of the Theatre's \$300,000 campaign to establish a modern playhouse in Harlem are Bill Robinson, Canada Lee, Hilda Simms, Judge Jonah J. Goldstein, the cast of Anna Lucasta, Rep. Adam Clayton Powell, Vito Marcantonio, Fredric March, Councilman Ben Davis.

A Panel Discussion on 'Safeguarding Negro Employment Rights in the Postwar' will take place tomorrow (Sunday) afternoon, 3:30 p.m. at the Ben Davis Club, 2315 Seventh Ave. 135 St.).

John Groth, artist-correspondent, who accompanied GIs in France and Germany and sketched American soldiers and scenes of war wherever he went, has just returned to the European theatre, in a book to be published by Vanguard Press and tentatively entitled "Studio: Europe." Groth tells of his experiences and illustrates them copiously. Groth was one of the first correspondents to enter Paris on liberation day filing the first story about the liberation; he interviewed and sketched Picasso; and sketched Ernest Hemingway in a house between hostile lines in Germany.

The final ten days of the Ballet Theatre engagement at the Metropolitan Opera House will witness Alicia Markova's last guest appearance this season in *Giselle*, partnered by Anton Dolin, Sunday evening, April 22.

An exhibit of documentary paintings and drawings *Life in a Relocation Center* by Mine Okubo, West Coast Nisei artist, is now on view at the fifth floor gallery of the New School for Social Research, 66 W. 12 St. After that date it will leave the city and go to the Seattle Art Museum. The exhibit includes 20 gouaches and 18 line drawings depicting scenes both in the Tanager (California) Assembly Center and the Topaz (Utah) Relocation Center in which Miss Okubo lived for almost two years. The evacuation involved 110,000 persons—two-thirds of them, like Miss Okubo, American citizens.

Arlene Francis, the charming leading lady of *The Overtons*, will speak at the mammoth open-air rally to be held in Times Square at noon on Tuesday (April 24). The rally, which will spotlight the importance and aims of the San Francisco United Nations Conference, will be held under the auspices of the Independent Citizens Committee of the Arts, Sciences and Professions. Miss Francis, a sponsor of the Women's Division of the ICC, will deliver a short address on the need for support of the Conference.

'Thunder Rock'

Repeats at Irving Pl.

The brilliant English film *Thunder Rock* starring Michael Redgrave and Barbara Mullen is being held over for a second week at the Irving Pl. Theatre. The second feature is the Soviet film *We Are From Kronstadt*.

Film Front

Flashes and Closeups Of Actors and Pictures

By David Platt

Fifty members of the movie colony have wired President Truman proposing Mrs. Eleanor Roosevelt for an important post in the government. "It would be a double loss if her presence and influence and understanding should be lost to the country at this moment of great decisions," the telegram read in part. Eddie Cantor, Bette Davis, Lily Pons, Joe E. Brown and Groucho Marx were among the signers. . . .



ERNE PYLE FILM

The Lester Cowan film *Ernie Pyle's Story of GI Joe* will be released in mid-summer as a memorial to the popular war correspondent who was killed in a Japanese machinegun ambush on Ie Island. . . . Warners will film *The Life of Vincent Van Gogh*, the great Dutch painter. . . . Lamar Trotti, screen author of the *Wilson* film will produce Ira Wolfert's *American Guerilla* in the Philippines with Fred MacMurray in the leading role.

REPORT FROM ARGENTINA

A cable to *Film Daily* from Buenos Aires reports that *The Hitler Gang* (the movie) is now playing at the Ocean Theatre and has smashed every existing 3-day record for any Paramount film in Argentina. . . . Ban on the picture was lifted when war was declared. . . . Reserve judgement until a few other bans are lifted. . . .

A CALL FOR HELP

The island of Martinique with a population of 246,712 hasn't had a new movie since 1936, according to the Motion Picture Unit of the Bureau of Foreign and Domestic Commerce in Washington. The island, part of the French West Indies, can't get films from France and is unable to buy Hollywood pictures. As a result it is virtually filmless. "All films on hand date back as far as 1936 and have been shown hundreds of times. Patrons attend the theater because of boredom; they have seen each film at least four or five times. Any type of film produced within the last four years would be most appreciated in Martinique."

MARCH OF SCIENCE

A 16mm television camera has been invented. It records sound and sight simultaneously on one film track. It's screwed on top of the regular full-sized camera. . . . The Peace Builders, 16mm one-reel pictorial survey of the international conferences of the United Nations, has been released for general non-theatrical distribution in this country. The film is available through Brandon Films, 1600 Broadway, New York City for immediate use in schools, libraries, unions, clubs, etc.

DOCTORS PLEASE NOTE

Out in Buffalo, Dr. Harold B. Johnson, a general practitioner recently installed a 16mm projector, screen and films to divert his long waiting list. A girl assistant operates the machine. Each week he gets two new reels of film. Dr. Johnson's waiting list has greatly increased since the war. He says he wants to keep his patients amused.

'Silver Fleet' in 5th Week at World

The World Theatre is holding over *Silver Fleet* for a fifth week. Produced by Michael Powell and Emeric Pressburger, the film stars Ralph Richardson and was written and directed by Vernon Sewell and Gordon Wellesley.

At City Theatre

Lester Cowan's anti-Nazi film *Tomorrow the World* with Skippy Homeier, Fredric March and Bette Field is the current attraction at the City Theatre (14 St.). Also *Soviet Music on Parade* and *Inside China Today*.



Regina Resnik, youthful New York born and bred artist, stars in the gala program celebrating the 15th anniversary of the Jewish Peoples Fraternal Order, IWO, on Saturday night, May 26, at Madison Square Garden. Miss Resnik, graduate of Hunter College in 1942, was awarded a contract with the Metropolitan Opera Association as the sole woman winner of the 1944 Metropolitan Audition of the Air.

Founded in 1930, the IWO has grown from an initial organization of 5,000 charter members to a major national fraternal body of 175,000 members representing fifteen nationality group societies. The Jewish Peoples Fraternal Order, parent society of the IWO in 1930, now has a national membership of 50,000.

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Late Bulletins

Wedge Driven Into Foe's Main Line in Southern Okinawa

GUAM, April 20 (UP).—Three American divisions have driven through the "heart of the enemy's main line of resistance into key territory" in southern Okinawa, Maj. Gen. John R. Hodge, commander of the attacking forces, said today.

In the first day of their all-out offensive, the men of the Seventh, 27th and 96th Divisions—covered by unprecedented Army, Navy and Marine aerial and artillery barrages and led by tanks and flamethrowers—smashed deep bulges into both flanks of the five-mile enemy line, seized the village of Machinato, entered the village of Kazatu and threatened two of the three remaining enemy airfields.

Radio Address by Truman To Open Frisco Conference

SAN FRANCISCO, April 20 (UP).—The first plenary session of the United Nations Conference will be held Wednesday, when delegates will hear a radio address by President Harry S. Truman, it was announced today.

An executive committee, composed of chairmen of the various delegations, will convene Wednesday morning when the American delegation will submit its proposal for organization of the conference.

The Americans will propose that all plenary and commission sessions be open to the public, Michael McDermott, State Department press chief, said. Thousands of requests for admission have already swamped State Department officials.

The first plenary session will be short. It is scheduled to begin at 7:30 or 8 p.m. (EWT). A second plenary session Thursday will draft arrangements for the conference.

The four commissions will meet Friday, select a chairman and secretaries and plan its program, and the UNCIO delegates will actually get down to work Monday.

By train and plane scores of delegates, secretaries, aides and press representatives continued to stream into San Francisco today.

Labor Leaders to Meet at Frisco

SAN FRANCISCO, April 20 (UP).—Administrative Committee of the proposed World Labor Federation will open its session in Oakland Monday to draft an organization constitution.

Davis J. McDonald, secretary-treasurer of United Steelworkers of America (CIO) and adviser to Secretary of State Stettinius at the Mexico City conference, said:

"World labor leaders will be here in the interests of perfecting an instrument of lasting peace, and they feel that a strong labor organization will add materially to permanent peace."

Committee members from the U. S., Great Britain, France, China, Latin America, the Soviet Union and the Netherlands will draw up the labor constitution. Philip Murray, CIO president and labor adviser to the American UNCIO delegates, heads the U. S. delegation. Sir Walter Citrine, general secretary of the British Trade Union Congress, leads the British group.

WLB Says Phone Agreement Reached

WASHINGTON, April 20 (UP).—The War Labor Board announced tonight that an agreement had been reached for a settlement of the New York City telephone operators' dispute which almost resulted in a strike earlier this week.

Details of the proposed settlement were withheld, but it was understood to involve a further shortening of the promotion schedule and a larger amount of retroactive pay.

4th Soviet Lend Lease Pact Signed

WASHINGTON, April 20 (UP).—The United States, Britain and Canada have signed a fourth lend-lease agreement with the Soviet Union, the State Department disclosed tonight in an announcement which failed to reveal the amount of aid involved.

Official sources indicated that Soviet-U. S. negotiations for a \$6,000,000 (B) postwar credit loan to the Soviets had been divorced from the protracted negotiations.

Officials report that most of the orders called for in the new protocol have already been filled.

Vichy General Gets Death Sentence

PARIS, April 20 (UP).—The High Court of Justice today sentenced Gen. Henri-Fernand Dentz, former high commissioner of Syria, to death on a charge of treasonable intelligence with the enemy.

Rout Japanese Garrison on Cebu

MANILA, Saturday, April 21 (UP).—American troops have defeated the Japanese garrison on Cebu, killing at least 5,000 and virtually concluding the campaign to liberate the Visayan Islands in the central Philippines, Gen. Douglas MacArthur disclosed today.

Last Reich Pocket Battleship Sunk

LONDON, April 20 (UP).—Germany's last pocket battleship, the 10,000-ton Lutzow, capsized and sank following an attack by RAF Lancasters with six-ton bombs on the Baltic seaport of Swinemunde April 16, the Air Ministry announced tonight.

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A Japanese cruiser in the China Sea blows up and goes down after a direct hit by the B-29 bomber of Lt. George R. Schmidt, Gooding, Idaho. The ship, en route to Japan from Singapore for repairs, had been fitted with a false bow for the voyage, after losing its own to our Pacific forces.

The Veteran Commander

THIS IS IT

AS THE German strongholds of Stendahl, Magdeburg, Halle, Leipzig, Plauen, Ashe, Nuernberg were falling to American troops, as the Ruhr pocket was being cleaned out with the capture of more than 300,000 assorted prisoners, and as the British and Canadians were making Bremen, Emden and Hamburg totter, the Red Army started its great drive on the Berlin fortified area.

As this is being written, mighty few details are in.

We know that the fortress town and important rail and highway junction of Forst on the Neisse has been captured, together with Weisswasser some 20 miles due south of Forst. Guben (captured exactly two months ago by the Red Army), Forst, Weisswasser, Rothenburg and Goerlitz were the strongholds covering the approaches to the Kottbus-Dresden line and the triangle centering around Bauzen and containing the great power-grid which feeds most of Berlin with electricity and without which the defenses of the capital would be greatly handicapped.

In Weisswasser and Rothenburg the Red Army is already at the northeastern edge of the power-grid. The fortress of Goerlitz has been by-passed on the north and its garrison is now deprived of escape routes except for the road across the Lausitzer Bebrige to Prague. And Prague itself is no safe place for Germans any more because Patton at Ashe and Malinovsky near Brno (Bruenn) are only 95 miles from the capital of Czechoslovakia and moving merrily.

The fact that the first flash from Moscow mentioned captured cities on Marshal Konev's front only, limiting itself to the statement that on Marshal Zhukov's front Oder bridgeheads had been enlarged, the Soviet offensive appears to be weighted on the southern wing. In other words, it is moving to meet Generals Hodges or Patton in the Dresden area and to forge the southern section of the encirclement ring around the Berlin fortified area (roughly the Guben-Kottbus-Finsterwalde-Torgau arc).

It is most probable, judging by Soviet operational precedents, that the second blow will come in the northern sector of the siege arc, i.e., in the Zehden-Angermuende direction where the Berlin fortified area could be enveloped from the north and cut off from the northern German area of future resistance which will probably consist of Mecklenburg, Schleswig-Holstein, Denmark and Norway. If Soviet troops reached Neustadt due north of Berlin, with our troops at Wittenberg on the Elbe covering the Berlin-Hamburg railroad with their artillery, Berlin would be effectively cut off from the north long before an actual junction of American and Soviet troops took place north of Berlin.

While it is doubtful that Marshal Zhukov has started a frontal attack in the Berlin direction, it seems certain that the final offensive for the reduction of the Berlin fortified area has begun, at least in the east.

Hungary Gov't Moves to Budapest

LONDON, April 20 (UP).—Hungarian Premier Col. Gen. Bela Miklos arrived in Budapest from the temporary capital at Debrecen one week ago, the Moscow radio said today.

Quoting a dispatch from Budapest, the broadcast said the Premier was accompanied by members of his cabinet and other officials of the provisional Hungarian government.

The party was welcomed in formal ceremonies at Budapest's central Town Hall. Arpad Szakasits, a leader of Hungary's Social Democratic Party, appealed to the Miklos government to branch out from redistribution of land to reforms in other fields as quickly as possible, the broadcast said.

"Land reform must be followed by industrial reform, the full liquidation of feudalism, the development of production and a radical change in the living conditions of the industrial and agricultural workers," he said.

Sentiment Rises For Soviet Pact

The increased faith and confidence of the American people in the Soviet Union is reflected in the results of a Gallup Poll survey, released Tuesday, on the question of a permanent postwar alliance specifically between the United States and the Soviet Union.

As contrasted with September of 1943, the results are:

	Sept. '43	Today
Yes	39%	49%
No	37	35
Undecided	24	15

While no such specific alliance is under discussion, these figures are highly significant as an indication of the sentiments of the people.

A similar indication was afforded in a survey about five weeks ago on the question of whether the Soviet Union could be trusted to cooperate with us. Over 55 percent of all peoples asked said "yes" as compared with only 39 percent in March, 1942.

Japanese Increase Pressure on Chihkiang

CHUNGKING, April 20 (UP).—Japanese troops have thrown three divisions—50,000 to 60,000 troops—into their drive from Paoching on the American airbase town of Chihkiang in western Hunan, a Chinese Army spokesman disclosed today.

Chinese communiques reported enemy armored columns have driven to less than 70 miles of Chihkiang.

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